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PARKWAYS PRESENTS PLEASANT PROSPECT

Residence Rejoice in Removal of Ragweed and Rubbish

These blistering days with their burden of scorching heat are fine for weed killing, and, to the credit of the villagers be it said, have been taken advantage of to the fullest extent. Scarcely a street in the village has escaped the relentless edge of the mower, sickle or scythe, and the improvement to say the least is noticeable.

Having arrived at this stage the problem is changed and we now confront the proposition of keeping the village in its present good condition. One of the old-timers, a man who has grown gray watching the town develop from a way station to its present suburban excellence, made the following observation the other day: "I'm getting some considerable tired of fixing up parkways and sowing grass seed, just to have it tramped down by people who want to save a step and take a short cut."

There is much justice in this complaint. It is hard lines to labor to beautify the street in front of one's premises and then to see a well defined path of hard clay supplant the green grass which should border the highway.

Recognizing the equity of the above lament let us one and all resolve that hereafter instead of treading down the grass we will jump over the parkway when desiring to take a short cut, and if we can't jump, walk around.

Important Shipping Point.
As a distributing and trans-shipping center and a coal station, Alden ranks with the most important ports in the near east. Millions of skins and hides are shipped to Europe and the United States every year.

DOWNERS Grove is a good place to live and we shall be sorry to leave it, but business compels removal, so here is a chance for someone to secure a very comfortable home at a remarkably low price.

Small amount of cash take your time on balance. 7 rooms, living room 30x16 Hot-water heat, gas, electric light, hardwood, everything modern, lot 100x132.

This is one of the good homes of the village, come and see, it won't last much longer.

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THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY, ST. ANDREWS' CHURCH.

The Woman's Auxiliary, which is the missionary organization of the Episcopal Church, had a very helpful and enjoyable meeting in the guild room of the church last Tuesday. Mrs. Greeley of Chicago, the diocesan president of the Auxiliary, was present and gave one of her delightful addresses. The Naperville Auxiliary was present and fully enjoyed the meeting, as well as the beautiful luncheon furnished by the ladies of St. Andrews' Church.

ALFALFA ON EVERY DU PAGE COUNTY FARM

Alfalfa meetings, where advice will be given regarding the seeding, inoculation, treatment of soil for alfalfa and the value of this crop as a feed, will be held at the following list of places for four consecutive days beginning July 8. Attend one or more of these meetings. Bring the whole family. These meetings are free to all. Professor P. G. Holden and other prominent alfalfa men will speak. If you have an auto, take a vacation and go with our alfalfa train. Get acquainted with your home county in this way.

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS.

Tuesday, July 8.
Leave Wheaton 7:00 a. m.
Plain View Milk Station 7:30 to 8:10
Warrenhurst 8:30 to 9:15
Elmer Martin Farm 10:00 to 10:40
John Schramer Farm 11:00 to 11:40
W. E. Draper Farm 1:00 to 1:45 p. m.
D. O. Sayer Farm 2:15 to 3:00
Charles Lies Farm
Wayne Center 3:45 to 4:30
Pleasant Hill School 5:00 to 5:45

Wednesday, July 9.
Cloverdale Milk Station 8 to 8:45 a. m.
William Wangelen Farm 9:15 to 10:00
E. N. Lake Farm 10:30 to 11:15
Wm. Franzen Farm 11:30 to 12:15
Martin Krage Farm 2:00 to 2:45 p. m.
W. K. Patrick Farm 3:30 to 4:15
John Wagner Farm 4:45 to 5:30
York Center 7:30 p. m.

Thursday, July 10.
Leave Naperville 7:30 a. m.
Eola Milk Station 8:00 to 8:45
Edgar Simpson Farm 9:15 to 10:00
John Book Farm 10:45 to 11:30
Irving Goodrich Farm 1:30 to 2:15 p. m.
Fred Goodrich Farm 2:30 to 3:15
Lisle Station 7:30 p. m.

Friday, July 11.
Downers Grove Milk Station 8:00 to 8:45 a. m.
Gregory's Farm (Downers Grove Twp.) 9:30 to 10:15
Gower School Grounds 10:45 to 11:30
Natoma Farms (Hinsdale) 1:30 to 2:30 p. m.
Otto Ahrens Farm 3:00 to 3:45
Mark Morton Farm 4:30 to 5:15
Conducted under the auspices of the DuPage County Agricultural Improvement Association.

Purified by Love.
Man, while he loves, is never quite depraved.—Charles Lamb.

SCHOOL ELECTION IS A WEEK FROM SATURDAY

Enlargement of Curriculum is Planned if Voters Carry Building Proposition

The board of education and the superintendent of schools for District Fifty-eight are preparing to increase the usefulness of the Downers Grove schools if the voters of the district, Saturday, July 12, endorse the present plans for a new building on the Maple avenue school site.

One of the courses which will receive special attention and which it is believed will be of great advantage to the pupils will be "government." Not the old-fashioned civil government learned from a book with little practical reference to conditions as they are but live up-to-date government, with the pupils themselves representing a legislative assembly, introducing and passing laws, holding elections and acquainting themselves for the part they must later take as citizens of the town, state and nation.

Illinois now having taken its stand in the equal suffrage column, to a limited extent at least, this course will be of material service not only to the boys but to the girls as well. For this teaching of the essentials of citizenship, the assembly hall in which the Seventh and Eighth grades as well as the high school can congregate will be invaluable.

The public school is essentially the people's college. This is particularly true of Downers Grove for in the thirty years during which the high school has sent out its yearly class of graduates it is estimated that less than three in a hundred have taken a college course. The board of education takes the view that preparation for college or university is not the province of School District 58. That the aim instead is preparation for life and consequently strictly academic studies are not insisted on. The school is on the accredited list of the University of Illinois, but the course which will fit pupils for entrance to the university is elective and for other studies of possibly more practical value can be taken. Bookkeeping and shorthand are being taught and with the advent of a new building better facilities for still more practical work will be provided.

Manual training is a feature of the school today. A new building will give increased opportunity for that work. Domestic science classes will find room in a new building—there is no available place for them now. This year the school chorus took the banner at the county meet. With an assembly hall more and better work in music can be accomplished. The high school work as well as the training of the seventh and eighth grades will be greatly aided when larger quarters are available. The best is none too good for the boys and girls of Downers Grove and the erection of a new school building will be a long step in advance.

On the question of location the board of education favors the Maple avenue school site for the following among other reasons: Building on ground already owned by the district eliminates the cost of a site and permits the use of that amount for actual building purposes. Grade schools in the northwest and the east sections of the district while more convenient to children living in the immediate vicinity would not materially change the present congested condition of quarters and equipment for the Seventh and Eighth grades and the high school.

Centralized school buildings mean economy of maintenance. The erection of adequate quarters is a step toward a joint district high school.

MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT

Harold Eickelman met with quite an accident Sunday night while returning from Forest Park on his motorcycle. He was coming west on Maple avenue at a pretty good rate of speed. Just before he got to what is known as the haunted house he struck a deep hole in the road, the jar breaking the front fork of his machine and locking the front wheel. The motorcycle went into the ditch on one side of the road and he on the other. He is cut and bruised considerably on his right side and his escape from a broken bone or more serious injury is remarkable. Last week Frank Hawkins broke a spring in one of the garage autos at the same spot. A little crushed stone in the bad spots would not hurt Maple avenue between there and the Hinsdale village limits.

Our Eyes Tint the World.
We view the world with our own eyes, each of us; and we make from within us the world we see. A weary heart gets no gladness out of sunshine; a selfish man is skeptical about friendship, as a man with no ear doesn't care for music.—William Makepeace Thackeray.

HOMING PIGEONS

Tuesday morning two baskets containing about 200 homing pigeons were received from Chicago by express at the depot. On top of one of the baskets was a request that they (the pigeons) be liberated by the agent and the time marked on the tag.

The agent opened the doors and was nearly smothered in a cloud of beating wings as the pigeons "rose into the air in a bunch to get their bearings for the return trip.

The flock from the first basket circled a few times and then, flying in a northeasterly direction, disappeared fast. The second bunch circled the town, flying low about ten times before starting off.

The baskets were marked Belgium Am. Homing Pigeon Club and were signed by Frank De Wyze, President.

C. BERTHOLINS STORE IN NEW DRESS

The Downers Grove Fruit Store has purchased and installed over \$2,500 worth of new fixtures, the most noticeable being a brand new up-to-date 14-ft. marble soda fountain shining with nickel work and ornamented with two clusters of electric lights. This, with the large mirror in back of it and the new cigar cases, backed up by a large tobacco cabinet, makes the store a very attractive place to step into on a hot day.

Mr. Bertholin is to be congratulated upon the neat, clean appearance of his place of business.

SMITH -- MC KENNA

Miss Louise Ory of Downers Grove and Mr. M. J. Riedy of Lisle acted as bridesmaid and groomsmen to their cousin, Miss Alma Mae Smith of Early, Iowa, who was married to Mr. John McKenna at Early June 18.

The following from this locality were guests at the wedding: Mr. Andrew Drendel, Naperville; Mrs. Agatha Pfaff, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pfaff, Miss Louise Ory, Downers Grove; Miss Emma Engelschall, Miss Clara Riedy, Mr. M. J. Riedy, Lisle.



—Firemen's Picnic 4th of July.
—Mr. Bassett from Chicago was the guest over Sunday with Mr. J. J. Lynch on Forest avenue.

—Dr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Timke celebrated their wedding anniversary Tuesday, June 26. The evening was spent in games and cards, followed by dinner. Many friends were present; also Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Carpenter from Austin.

—The regular meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held in the library room on Tuesday afternoon.

—James M. Burns spent last Sunday with his son Stewart at Rye Beach, in New Hampshire.

—Victory Council No. 110, Royal League, will give its members an auto ride to Aurora on Monday night, July 14.

—The Misses Maud & Ella Mertz left for Colorado points Monday morning. They will visit their aunt, Mrs. D. D. Escher at Manitou and will be gone several months.

—Mr. and Mrs. John G. Shedd visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Graves Sunday. Mr. Shedd is president of Marshall Field & Co. and is an old schoolmate of Mr. Graves.

—The barn of Ed Timke burned to the ground last Saturday morning at 3 o'clock; it was filled with machinery and grain, causing a loss of about \$2,000. Cause of fire unknown. Mr. Timke did not know anything about the fire until called by neighbors.

—A new rector at the Episcopal Church on the north side.

—Miss T. D. Aldrich has improved in health so much she expects to return to Downers Grove from California in the fall.

—W. S. Carpenter and wife are visiting in Los Angeles at the present writing.

—Mr. Raby of Willmette spent Sunday with George Riel.

—Mrs. John Riel and Miss Myna are visiting in Des Moines, Iowa.

—Mrs. H. D. Wylie is spending a few days at Lauderdale Lake, Wis., with her daughter, Mrs. W. S. Bebb.

—C. H. Jenkins, wife and little daughter were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Burd on Sunday last.

—Miss Helen Steele of Hyde Park spent Saturday in Downers Grove.

—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knox of Railroad street entertained friends from the city on Sunday.

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Lubins Comedy

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